

Summary of 2011/12 Q4 EIT Review Updates

Arts Leisure & Culture Select Committee

Review	No of Recs	No of Recs now in Progress	Q2 Summary of Progress	HR Implications	Savings Predicted in Final Report	Savings/Cost to Date
Sport, Leisure & Recreation	9	3	<p>Castlegate transfer has been completed.</p> <p>Delay in the opening of the second white water course has delayed the start of trading and therefore delayed the point at which we can accurately measure the future earning potential.</p>	No further HR implications reported	£645k	£108k in year target efficiency achieved
Highways, Lighting & Network Management	9	3	<p>A project team is currently reviewing the potential for collaborative working in the Tees Valley. The project is being led by DBC and excludes RCBC who are committed to a street lighting PFI. Despite this, SBC are committed to commencing a street lighting procurement for the service provision for implementation in April 2013.</p> <p>SALIX funding has been secured to deliver street lighting energy savings in 2012/13.</p> <p>A project to enable all inspections to be undertaken in the field with electronically generated noticing and works ordering is on-going.</p>	No further HR implications reported	£200k	£100k actual reduction in revenue spend. LTP capital utilised to invest in stock renewal.
River Based Leisure	16	2	<p>British Waterways are currently undertaking a desktop study to review mooring capacity and options on the Tees as well as potential destination planning along the Tees.</p> <p>CTC Marine and Leisure Ltd have occupied Castlegate Quay and are to be rebranded as</p>	Not applicable due to not being an EIT review		

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			<p>Infinity Marine. The new business will see the establishment of a boat show room and café in the Castlegate Quay premises. The business plan will see the reintroduction of small motor boats for hire on the Tees creating a new leisure offer.</p> <p>Work continues to maximise opportunities from a number of sporting events within the Borough in the lead up to the Olympics.</p>			

Children & Young People Select Committee

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Child Placements	7	2	Work is now progressing with Stockton Officers to look at provision for 52 week Residential School within the Borough with a view to bringing children placed out of Stockton Local Authority back into the Borough.	None identified at this stage.	Potentially up to £691k	None – potential savings from Residential School are not identified yet.
EIG	5	1	The Big Life company has been appointed to run the Star and Frederick Nattrass Children's Centres. The charity 4Children has been appointed to run the children's Centres at New Life and Riverbank and also to run the 3 non-target area centres.	The 90 day Consultation ended on 10 th February 2012. Interviews for recruitment to the new structure took place in February and March and were completed on 26 th March all staff covered by the review received final confirmation of the outcome	£4.5	£4.5m p.a.

Corporate & Social Inclusion Select Committee

Review	No of Recs	No of Recs now in Progress	Q2 Summary of Progress	HR Implications	Savings Predicted in Final Report	Savings/Cost to Date
Task and Finish Review of Customer Services & Taxation	9	1	<p>Continuing to review workloads and staff working patterns and to implement access channel strategy to encourage customer to self-serve where appropriate.</p> <p>Pilot scheme to “re-cycle” cases that have been returned by the Council’s main bailiff to an alternative bailiff complete and successful. 1087 cases with a value of £474,000 were referred resulting in collections totalling £41,504.00 by the end of Q4. The bailiff is still working on these cases and further payments are expected. A bailiff tendering exercise has been completed and two bailiff firms have been appointed. New bailiff referrals will be shared - where one bailiff is unsuccessful in recovering arrears, where appropriate, the case will be “re-cycled” to the other.</p>	An organisation restructure that was recommended as part of the review has been fully implemented resulting in a reduction of 4.5 FTE posts (1.5 voluntary redundancy, 0.5 reduction in hours, 2.5 deletion of vacant posts)	£157k per annum	£157k per annum
Older People’s Strategy	31	3	<p>An event was held on 19.3.12 to consult with the Over 50s Assembly on the plan to refresh the Older People’s Strategy.</p> <p>The Over 50s Assembly has been re-branded and is being supported by key officers to lead on older people’s issues.</p> <p>The provision of outdoor exercise equipment is being considered as part of the Borough’s Green Infrastructure Delivery Plan, which includes outline proposals for the future enhancement and management of the Borough’s open spaces. Specific proposals are being discussed with local community groups and ward councillors, and would be</p>	Not applicable due to not being an EIT review		

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			subject to wider community consultation. The initial consultation will be completed by the end of June 2012, but additional consultation may be required in relation to specific proposals.			

Environment Select Committee

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EIT Review of Built and Natural Environment	14	3	<p>A review of Technical Officer Recharges has been carried out resulting in a new method of recovering expenditure for 2012/13.</p> <p>The principle of charging for car parking in Yarm was agreed at Cabinet in December 2011. The decision was subject to a call-in procedure on 19th January 2012 but Executive Scrutiny Committee decided not to refer the decision back to Cabinet. Yarm Town Council sought leave to Judicially Review the decision in March 2012.</p>	None reported	£378k	£24k actual savings - £15k related to School Crossing Patrol Wardens and £9k related to Blue Badge price increase
EIT Review of CFYA	4	4	<p>Management/Supervision and round reconfiguration reviews to be undertaken during 2012 .</p> <p>HoS and Service Manager liaising with colleagues in Land and Property in order to progress options to house service at one depot.</p> <p>Initial interest bid submitted for Weekly Collections Support Scheme.</p>		£830,000	All efficiencies are profiled to be made from April 2012 onwards. Actual savings as at the end of March 2012 are Nil.

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Carbon Management	20	3	Kingsway refurb shows good results for energy reduction and improved staff environment. Further work will be progressed as budgets permit. Kingsway videos conferencing commissioned Roll out of multi function printer/copier devices.	Not applicable due to not being an EIT review		
Cemeteries 1	28	0	As part of the completed Thornaby Cemetery extension and development scheme a section of landhas been allocated for the woodland burial garden proposal.	Not applicable due to not being an EIT review		

Adult Services & Health Select Committee

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Task & Finish Review of Adult Service Structure	4	1	All posts appointed to and all staff now in correct locations. The EIT Review LD/MH will not now be reporting to Cabinet until Autumn 2012. Until this review is completed, the review of LD/MH Care Management arrangements cannot be undertaken.	All posts appointed to	£440,000 Full year	£211k achieved 2011/12 Full savings £439k will be achieved 2012/13.
Audiology	7	1	Work around community developments in Stockton and Billingham continues. No further progress to report.	Not applicable due to not being an EIT review		

Housing & Community Safety Select Committee

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IT Gateway review of Housing Benefits	5	1	<p>New Benefit Service structure implemented following completion of the consultation process.</p> <p>The new Overpayment Recovery Team have been appointed (a team leader and 4 overpayment recovery officers). Team is fully operational using established recovery processes and work is ongoing to introduce new recovery methods into the team.</p> <p>The Combined Payments Scheme is no longer being used for new debts and existing debts following default.</p> <p>A small scale, closely monitored trial was undertaken with the Council Security and Surveillance team to establish whether their Enforcement Officers could assist with the recovery of outstanding debt. Experienced officers carried out home visits and the quality of their reports were of a high calibre. Whilst this aspect of the trial was successful, the analysis of the total debt collected in relation to time spent has shown this to be an uneconomical option for the Council.</p> <p>A corporate project group has been set up to oversee the implementation of the Welfare Reforms. A report will be going to Cabinet in July/August 2012.</p>	The efficiency savings identified required a restructure of the service and this has been implemented in consultation with HR.	£180,000	All efficiencies are profiled to be made from April 2012 onwards. Actual savings as at the end of March 2012 are Nil.

Taxi Licensing	11	0	New licences will normally be issued within 1 working day of completion of application process. Renewal licences submitted 15 working days before expiry will be issued five working days before expiry	Not applicable due to not being an EIT review
Choice Based Lettings	8	0	The Supporting People ring fenced grant funding which included funds for sub-regional Disabled Persons' Housing Service, came to an end on 31.3.11. Potential alternative funding options for this scheme are being explored.	Not applicable due to not being an EIT review

Regeneration & Transport Select Committee

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Events, Arts & Tourism	4	2	<p>5 – 10 year Events Strategy under development. 2012 Programme developed and outline programmes for 2013 and 2014 in place.</p> <p>Communications Plan developed for all events. New Events Website will be rolled out in the 4th quarter 2012.</p> <p>Findings from Stockton Weekender and SIRF were used to develop charging policy for 2012 events.</p> <p>Contract now being prepared for a sponsorship arrangement to be provided on a commission basis.</p>	Not applicable	£97,800	Actual savings of £46,500 generated
Regeneration & Economic Development	12	5	The Economic Strategy Team is now in place and the new Major Projects Team staffing structure has been implemented. Work is underway on developing an economic assessment for the borough.	Total of seven post reductions, of which two were vacant posts that have now been deleted, two were voluntary redundancies that have	£210,000	All efficiencies from the EIT Review of Regeneration and Economic Development are profiled to be made

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			<p>Business Engagement Team established with an officer specialising in tourism related businesses.</p> <p>Stockton Middlesbrough Initiative budget reductions achieved (for 2012-13 and onwards).</p> <p>Regeneration and Economic Development staff are now included and active in all strategic and task and finish groups operating through TVU, including those on Enterprise Zones, Place Group, Economic Group and Employment and Skills Group</p> <p>Business loans scheme under development</p>	<p>now left, with three other posts reduced through ring fencing and interview processes. Of these, two people have now left under compulsory redundancy, with one person being successful in finding employment in another service area of Stockton Council.</p>		<p>from April 2012 onwards.</p> <p>Actual savings as at the end of March 2012 are Nil.</p>